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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3, 7, 8, 16-25, and amend claims 1, 9 and 14 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An interlocking stand for storing and charging a rechargeable appliance and configured for interlocking with another adjacent charging and storing stand having a base with at least one depending tab on a detent located along opposing side edges, the stand comprising:

means for supporting the appliance for storage;

at least one electrical contact inside said supporting means for connection to the appliance;

means for providing power to said at least one electrical contact; and

means for interlocking said stand with another stand along opposing side edges;

wherein said means for ~~interlock~~interlocking is disposed on two sides of the stand, and said means for ~~interlock~~interlocking is the same on both said sides;

said means for supporting includes a base having at least one side edge having a lateral detent configured for engaging a complementary lateral detent of the other stand; and

said means for interlocking includes at least one hole disposed in said detent constructed and arranged for receiving a corresponding tab of the adjacent stand.